PUBLIC NOTICE

PERMIT APPLICATION: NRS07.269

APPLICANT: Old Natchez County Club

115 Garden Drive Franklin, TN 37069 615-373-3200

LOCATION: Harpeth River near the Bethlehem community in Williamson

County; USGS Bellevue (TN) Topo Map, 36.0221°N, 86.9045°W

WATERSHED DESCRIPTION: The waterbody ID is TN05130204009_3000. It is classified for recreation (not assessed), irrigation (supporting), fish and aquatic life (non-supporting), industrial water supply (supporting), and livestock watering and wildlife (supporting). The causes for non-support are listed as nutrient/eutrophication and dissolved oxygen. The sources are listed as discharges from municipal separate storm sewer systems (ms4), and municipal point source discharges.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant proposes to renew its permit to withdraw water from the river for golf course irrigation. The maximum rate of withdrawal is 433 gallon per minute or 0.96 cubic feet per second. Pumping usually persists for about 8 hours (208,000 gpd), April through October. The drought flow (7Q10) for this stream segment is about 1.0 cfs.

This notice may be viewed at http://www.state.tn.us/environment/wpc/ppo/arap.

In accordance with the Tennessee Antidegradation Statement (Rule 1200-4-3-.06), the division has determined that the activity as proposed will not result in degradation to water quality.

PERMIT COORDINATOR: Robert Baker

No decision has been made whether to issue or deny this permit. The purpose of this notice is to inform interested parties of this permit application and to ask for comments and information necessary to determine possible impacts to water quality. Persons wishing to comment on the proposal are invited to submit written comments to the department. Written comments must be received within **thirty days of the date that this notice is posted**. Comments will become part of the record and will be considered in the final decision. The applicant's name and permit number should be referenced.

Interested persons may also request in writing that the department hold a public hearing on this application. The request must be filed within the comment period, indicate the interest of the person requesting it, the reasons that the hearing is warranted, and the water quality issues being raised. When there is sufficient public interest in water quality issues, the department will hold a public hearing.

The permit application, supporting documentation including detailed plans and maps, and related comments are available at the department's address for review and/or copying. The department's address is:

Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation Division of Water Pollution Control, Natural Resources Section 7th Floor L & C Annex 401 Church Street Nashville, TN 37243

In deciding whether to issue or deny a permit, the department will consider all comments of record and the requirements of applicable federal and state laws. In making this decision, a determination will be made regarding the lost value of the resource compared to the value of any proposed mitigation. The department shall consider practicable alternatives to the alteration. The department shall also consider loss of waters or habitat, diminishment in biological diversity, cumulative or secondary impacts to the water resource, and adverse impact to unique, high quality, or impaired waters.

